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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7287

BILL NUMBER: SB 508

DATE PREPARED: Feb 21, 2002

BILL AMENDED: Feb 21, 2002

SUBJECT: Regulation of Dams.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides for the classification by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) of dams according to hazard level. The bill specifies that the Department has permitting authority for the construction and operation of a structure (a dam and its appurtenant works) and changes the inspection schedule for these structures based upon hazard levels.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) For local agencies that own high hazard dams, of which there are approximately 70, costs are estimated at between \$245,000 and \$525,000.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Natural Resources.

Local Agencies Affected: Local units of government responsible for dams.

Information Sources: Mike Neyer, Director, Division of Water, DNR.